Attorney's Docket No. 🕞 IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFIC 3 Byce (1) 25/13 re application of: Pavcnik et al. Customer No.: 9896 Group No.: 3738 Application No.: PA-5252-RFB Examiner: Alvin J. StewarRECEIVED Filed: May 4,2001 MAR 1 9 2003 For: ENDOVASCULAR STENT GRAFT **TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700 Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231 PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR 1.136(a)) 1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of 1 month to respond to the Advisory Action dated 03/04/03 (INDICATE MATTER BEING EXTENDED) 2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested: [X] is filed herewith. [] has been filed. The response is the filing of a continuation application having an express abandonment conditioned on the granting of a filing date to the continuing application. 3. Applicant is other than a small entity. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING/TRANSMISSION (37 CFR 1.8a) I hereby certify that this correspondence is, on the date shown below, being: **FACSIMILE** MAILING [x] transmitted by facsimile to the [] deposited with the United States Postal Patent and Trademark Office Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

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